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Re: Georgia Open Records Request ~ Matter #26-48239-19

Georgia Open Records Act Request: Criminal Hackers Target Police to Protest Perceived Injustices (DeKalb County Police Department)

Ms. Best:

Thank you for your request to review County records. On June 21, 2019, I received your Open Records Act request for the following documents or records:

"... Pursuant to the Georgia Open Records Act, I hereby request the following records:

Records mentioning, describing or generated as a result of the 8 May 2015 Roll Call Release IA-0181-15 (which was designed to be shared widely with law enforcement) from the Department of Homeland Security's Office of intelligence and Analysis (I&A) in conjunction with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, titled "Criminal Hackers Target Police to Protest Perceived Injustices," as well as records otherwise responding or reacting to the issues raised in it.

I am a member of the news media and request classification as such. I have previously written about the government and its activities, with some reaching over 100,000 readers in outlets such as Gizmodo, MuckRock, Motherboard, Property of the People, Unicorn Riot, and The Outline, among others. As such, as I have a reasonable expectation of publication and my editorial and writing skills are well established. In addition, I discuss and comment on the files online and make them available through non-profits such as the library Internet Archive and the journalist non-profit MuckRock, disseminating them to a large audience. While my research is not limited to this, a great deal of it, including this, focuses on the activities and attitudes of the government itself.

As my primary purpose is to inform about government activities by reporting on it and making the raw data available, I request that fees be waived.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 3 business days, as the statute requires."

After reviewing your request, in an effort to ensure that we search for the exact information you are requesting we need the following information:

- 1. Search terms you would like included.
- 2. Employee names you would like included in the search. If you want all DeKalb County Government employees included this will result in additional time required and will increase the cost.

Upon receiving this additional information necessary for us to prepare our cost estimate for your approval prior to performing the work. If you approve the associated cost we will produce the data, conduct our standard filtering for attorney client privileged data and upload the subsequent data to our FTP site for you to download.

The County and its official and departments do not produce documents or records that are protected by the attorney-client privilege or the attorney work product doctrine under Georgia or federal law or that are otherwise exempt from production under the Georgia Open Records Act. The County expressly reserves and does not waive any statutory exemptions from disclosure provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72, et seq. and other applicable laws.

Sincerely,

Michelle Torres

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Investigative Aide of Open Records
Office of the Chief of Police